
DC Taxicab Commission

FY 2002 Proposed Operating Budget: \$1,442,053
 FY 2002 Proposed Capital Budget: \$0

The DC Taxicab Commission ensures that the public receives safe and reliable taxicab and other transportation services. The commission achieves its mission by regulating, performing oversight, and enforcing regulations in the public vehicle-for-hire industry, which consists of taxicabs, limousines, sightseeing vehicles, and private ambulances.

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Budget Summary

The proposed FY 2002 operating budget for all funding sources is \$1,442,053, an increase of \$769,112, or 114.3 percent, over the FY 2001 approved budget (table TC0-1). The FY 2002 funding includes: \$262,000 for 6 new hack inspector positions; \$131,000 to support 3 hack inspectors transferred from MPD in FY 2001; and \$241,000 for the Taxicab Revolving Door Fund that includes \$50,000 for an administrator to oversee the fund. In FY 2002, the agency will receive 46.8 percent of its funding from local sources. Funding from local and other sources will support 19 FTEs, an increase of 10 FTEs over the FY 2001 approved level (table TC0-2).

Strategic Issues

- Provide safe and affordable taxicab service for the riding public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Upgrade the fleet of public vehicles for hire.
- Improve customer service to the citizens and the taxicab industry.

FY 2002 Initiative

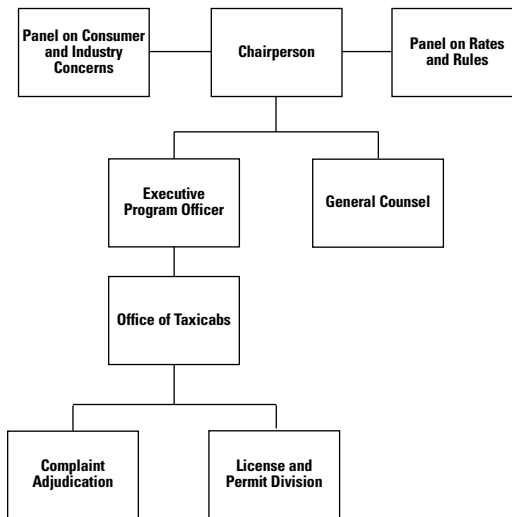
- Develop a comprehensive economic development strategy to generate revenue and create employment opportunities for local residents.

Agency Background

The commission conducts operations through two advisory panels, a nine-member committee, and the Office of Taxicabs. The advisory Panel of Rates and Rules promulgates fares and regulations; the advisory Panel on Consumer and Industry Concerns conducts hearings on consumer complaints and industry issues. The Office of Taxicabs provides administrative support to the commission, processes license applications, administers driver examinations, and coordinates with law enforcement agencies to ensure compliance with the commission's rules and regulations.

Figure TC0-1

D.C. Taxicab Commission



Programs

Figure TC0-1 displays the entities that make up the D.C. Taxicab Commission. One program, Operations, is the major component of the agency's budget.

Funding Summary

Local

The proposed local budget is \$1,006,053, an increase of \$764,962 over the FY 2001 approved budget. FY 2002 local funds support 16 FTEs, an increase of 10 over the FY 2001 approved level. Refer to the FY 2002 Operating Appendices (bound separately) for details. Significant increases in the local budget include:

- \$131,000 for 3 Hack Inspectors transferred from MPD in FY 2001.
- \$262,000 to support 6 new Hack Inspector positions.
- \$50,000 for 1 new administrative assistant to administer the revolving fund for taxicab security installation.
- \$191,000 for the revolving fund for taxicab security installation.
- \$130,962 to align the personal services budget with current positions.

Other

The proposed Other (O-type) budget is \$436,000, an increase of \$4,150 over the FY 2001 budget. This funding supports a fiduciary fund derived from assessments levied against taxicab operators. Monies in the fund are used by the commission and its panels for any investigation or proceeding concerning taxicab rates or regulations. The entire increase is in nonpersonal services. This funding source supports 3 FTEs.

Trend Data

Table TC0-3 shows expenditure history for FY 1998–FY 2002.

Table TC0-1

FY 2002 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

(dollars in thousands)

D.C. Taxicab Commission

	Actual FY 2000	Approved FY 2001	Proposed 2002	Change from FY 2001
Regular Pay - Cont. Full Time	384	351	839	488
Additional Gross Pay	9	0	0	0
Fringe Benefits	69	49	99	50
Unknown Payroll Postings	0	0	0	0
<i>Subtotal Personal Services (PS)</i>	<i>462</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>939</i>	<i>539</i>
Supplies and Materials	2	3	3	0
Communications	20	11	17	6
Rentals - Land and Structures	10	164	106	-58
Other Services and Charges	86	93	157	64
Contractual Services	6	0	0	0
Subsidies and Transfers	0	0	191	191
Equipment and Equipment Rental	2	2	29	27
<i>Subtotal Nonpersonal Services (NPS)</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>273</i>	<i>503</i>	<i>231</i>
Total Proposed Operating Budget	587	673	1,442	769

Table TC0-2

FY 2002 Full-Time Equivalent Employment LevelsD.C. Taxicab Commission

	Actual FY 2000	Approved FY 2001	Proposed 2002	Change from FY 2001
Continuing full time	9	9	19	10
Total FTEs	9	9	19	10

Table TC0-3

FY 2002 Proposed Operating Budget, by Revenue Type

(dollars in thousands)

D.C. Taxicab Commission

	Actual FY 1998	Actual FY 1999	Actual FY 2000	Approved FY 2001	Proposed FY 2002
Local	250	261	289	241	1,006
Other	391	430	298	432	436
Gross Funds	641	691	587	673	1,442

Agency Goals and Performance Measures

Note: FY 2001 actual figures represent the period October 2000 through January 2001.

Goal 1. Provide safe and affordable taxicab service for the riding public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Citywide Strategic Priority Area: Promoting economic development

Manager: Lee Williams, D.C. Taxicab
Chairperson

Supervisor: Lee Williams, D.C. Taxicab
Chairperson

Performance Measure 1.1: Percentage of the fleet of public vehicles for hire with vehicle safety devices installed

	Fiscal Year				
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Target	NA	NA	100	100	100
Actual	NA	NA	25	—	—

Performance Measure 1.2: Time to adjudicate citizen complaints (in calendar days)

	Fiscal Year				
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Target	NA	45	45	45	45
Actual	90	75	60	—	—

Performance Measure 1.3: Time to process operator license renewals for public vehicles for hire (in calendar days)

	Fiscal Year				
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Target	NA	1	1	1	<1
Actual	5	3	1.5	—	—